

ENDED HIS OWN LIFE

William W. Knight Shot Himself in the Mouth.

HIS MIND UNBALANCED

The Old Gentleman Has Recently Celebrated His Golden Wedding Anniversary—Brooded Over His Children Leaving Home.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SUFFOLK, VA., July 6.—William W. Knight, a well-to-do resident of Virginia's Cross-Roads, N. C., today shot himself in the mouth. Knight, who was seventy-one years old, leaves four daughters and three sons, among whom are Dr. William Knight, of Newport News; J. O. Knight, a merchant of Whaleyville, Va.; and J. R. Knight, a druggist of Franklinville.

The deceased shot himself in the mouth with a pistol. Only one shot was fired. The hall entered his room and lodged in the rear of the skull. The old man was found on his doorstep dying. He was a deacon in the Baptist Church. He was prosperous financially. No cause for the self-destruction is known. The theory is that he brooded about the leaving of all his children, as they were married, until his mind became unbalanced. Knight recently celebrated his golden wedding with his widow, who yet lives.

TO SOLVE THE CEASE MYSTERY

(Continued from First Page.)

Highland Park terminal on the line when I heard two shots in quick succession in the direction of the Cease house. We ran down there, entering the back gate, as that was nearer. Two men, one middle-aged and the other a young man, were standing in the lot in which the Cease dwelling is situated, and on the north side of the house, quite near the window, through which they afterwards

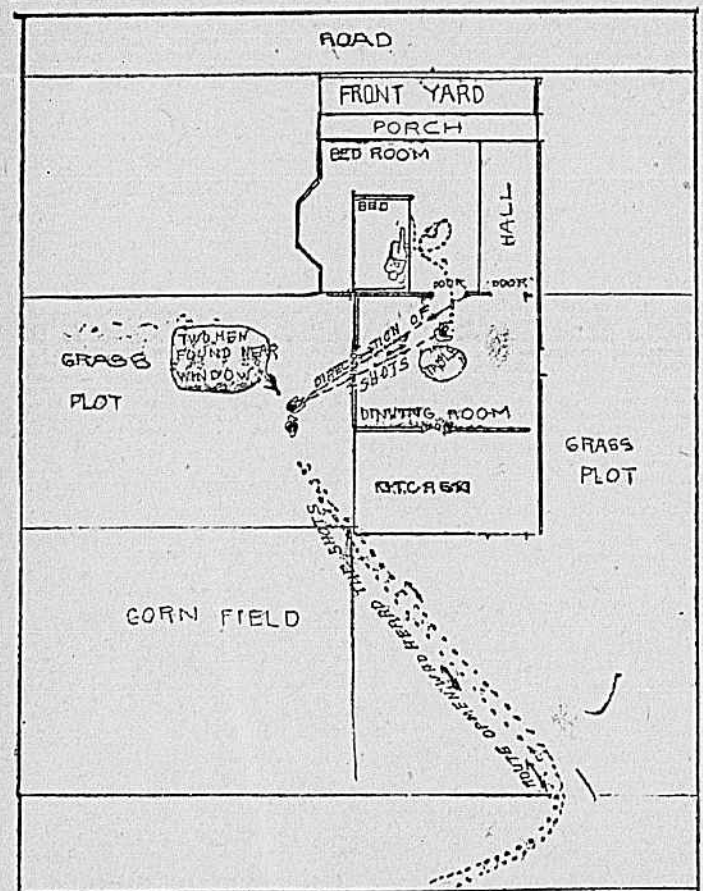


DIAGRAM SHOWING HOW CEASE WAS SHOT.

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Officer Haller waited a very long time, he said, at the north end of the viaduct for Mrs. Cease, but as she did not come he thought he had better go back to the Cease house, with the general idea that if Cease came out of the house and created a disturbance he would undertake to arrest him. When he got back to Highland Park the man whom he heard called Mr. Cease came to him, and asked him to go into the house, as some of his wife's belongings were in it. Mr. Haller repeated that he could not go in without a warrant. There was nothing to do but wait for Mrs. Cease and the officer, bringing the warrant. It was pretty close to 6 o'clock when Constable James Eubank and Mrs. Cease arrived. The warrant had been sworn out before Squire Lewis, who had given it to Mr. Eubank to serve. Mrs. Cease had charged her husband with assaulting and threatening to kill her. Fully armed and expecting trouble the officers went to the back door. The door between the kitchen and the dining-room was slightly ajar, and Officer Haller, pushing against it, felt it give a little bit, just as if one had his foot against it.

Wounded Man Found.

He was afraid to put his head in the door, thinking Cease was behind the door, and prepared to knock his head off. Hearing nothing, he dodged his head in, seeing that broken plates and debris of every kind was the obstruction in the way. A lunge sent these out of the way and the two went through the dining-room, which was in disorder. The next room is a bed-room with a bay window. Mr. Cease was lying face upward on the bed apparently asleep. Mr. Haller touched him and opened his eyes. Mr. Cease said quite naturally: "Hello, Haller that officer Eubank had a warrant for his arrest."

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"Done anything?" exclaimed Haller, "why you have broken up everything in the house and run your wife and guests away from home."

"That was last night" and Cease, "what time is it anyway?" he asked. "Five minutes to 6," he was told. Then he attempted to move and fell back.

"Oh, he cried, 'I am done for. I am shot.'"

Badly injured. When the officers found him he had nothing on his hands but an undershirt. The bloody clothes he had taken off were lying near by, but still had not been noted by the officers. To prove that he had been shot Cease raised his shirt and showed a purple wound not far from the center of the back. This was really a test, but the injured man associated it with the wound.

Then I am also shot in the back," he said. The officers had not seen evidence of bleeding and attempted to turn him over. "Don't touch me," he cried again, "you are breaking me in two." But finally he was turned over as gently as possible and the oozing blood was seen at the small of the back. The officers saw at once that their prisoner would soon be out of their keeping unless medical aid was summoned. Dr. Redd, of Highland Springs, was reached and came promptly. This physician insisted that Mr. Cease should be taken to a hospital at once, and had Billy's private ambulance called. The prisoner-patient was driven to the Retreat for the Sick and Dr. A. Franklin, the family physician, called.

Before leaving his house Cease begged for a drink of whiskey and a drink was given him, and morphine was administered by Dr. Redd. At the Retreat Dr. Franklin did not find very bad condition to stand the injury. The reaction of the drinking has come on the patient and his strength is almost all gone. The doctor cannot probe for the ball yet, fearing the consequences.

Mr. Cease Silent.

Mr. Cease has refused so far to say who shot him. He told Officer Haller that he did not know, but that he heard the click of a pistol. This is conclusive that the shooting was nearby. He has a cut an inch long between his eyes. It will take two or three days, the physicians think, to decide his fate. Mrs. Cease came to Officer Haller after she was acquainted with the fact that her husband had been shot, and made an unusual request. It was:

"Please do not try to find out who shot him. I do not know. I do not know who did it. Please do not investigate it."

Officers Eubank and Haller at once made an investigation of the premises. They ascertained that one bullet, coming through the north side window of the dining-room, had followed the upward course and buried itself in the door facing which led out of the dining-room towards the bed-room. Another bullet had crashed through the window, but they never found where it touched wood on the other side. This is supposed to be the one which, entering the small part of Cease's back, ranged upward, and is now to the left and about three inches below his heart.

Mr. Pierce, the uncle-by-marriage, has gone back to Washington. Mr. Harry S. Snyder, brother of Mrs. Cease, who was standing in the lot in which the Cease dwelling is situated, and on the north side of the house, quite near the window, through which they afterwards

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SENATOR HANNA STILL IN THE RING

Says He Has No Idea What- ever of Retiring from Business—Politics Hobby.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, July 6.—Senator M. A. Hanna, who arrived here today, said: "I am not going to retire from business. I have always been in active business, and intend to keep at it. Certain people appear to take an exclusive interest in my affairs and movements. Politics is my hobby. I shall continue to give it some of my attention until I am too feeble to do anything more, and that will be some time yet."

Senator Hanna visited the offices of the Pierpont Morgan & Co. company, which he will be for some time, Mr. Morgan and was later quoted as saying that his visit here was without public interest.

Senator and Mrs. Hanna left for Oyster Bay.

DICK BYRD BACK HOME

Plucky Virginia Lad Who Circled the Globe Alone.

NEW YORK, July 4.—American independence day is typified in the story of Richard Evelyn Byrd, Jr., a son of a famous family of Westover, Va., who arrived in this city today after a voyage of 30,000 miles.

The boy is the son of R. E. Byrd, a lawyer, of Winchester, Va., and was 13 years old, when he started on his expedition to circle the globe and incidentally to make a call on his old and valued friend, Judge A. C. Carson, of Virginia, but now presiding over the Eighth Judicial District in the Philippines.

He went across the continent to San Francisco and there boarded a steamer for Manila. The first stop was at Nagsaki, Japan, before reaching which port, however, he had gone through a severe typhoon that drove the steamer 200 miles out of her course. He spent a short time seeing the attractions of Japan, and continuing his voyage to the Philippine capital. There Judge Carson met him, and under his guidance he passed several months exploring the island province of Sorsogon, made "Dick," as the boy is known among his friends, a deputy sheriff, and as such he joined an expedition against some troublesome bandits. He met Aguinaldo, and says he likes the little Filipino leader very much. During "Dick's" trip he was accompanied by a German, who had located a gold mine in the mountains of the province, continuously caused him to be arrested by his conduct. Warnings were several times given him by the authorities that his actions must cease, but he refused to be deterred. A night attack on his mountain fastness was decided upon as the best course. A posse was formed, composed of soldiers and deputy sheriffs. Among the latter was "Dick." The German was found asleep and the arrest was made without a shot being fired. The gold-seeker was afterward sentenced to six months' imprisonment. He contracted cholera while in jail and died.

"I wish I had known he was going to die," was "Dick's" comment today. "He had a lump of pure gold as a trophy. If I had known he was going to get cholera I'd have asked him to give the job to me."

The boy left Manila for home early in May, journeying by way of the Suez Canal and the Mediterranean and stopping at various places in Asia. When he returned to his home in Winchester, Va., he was accompanied by a German, who had located a gold mine in the mountains of the province, continuously caused him to be arrested by his conduct. Warnings were several times given him by the authorities that his actions must cease, but he refused to be deterred. A night attack on his mountain fastness was decided upon as the best course. A posse was formed, composed of soldiers and deputy sheriffs. Among the latter was "Dick." The German was found asleep and the arrest was made without a shot being fired. The gold-seeker was afterward sentenced to six months' imprisonment. He contracted cholera while in jail and died.

TRIED TO KILL NEGROES

Trouble in Indiana Not Confined to Indiana.

(By Associated Press.)

LINTON, IND., July 6.—The appearance of eight Terre Haute negroes in Linton this afternoon was the cause of a demonstration, in which the men narrowly escaped with their lives. Alexander Sanderson, a Terre Haute caterer, was employed to serve the banquet at the institution of a new lodge of the Elks. He took his cook and waiter to the hall where the dinner was being conducted by the staff of the Terre Haute lodge, several hundred miners assembled in the street and threatened to dynamite the hall unless the negroes were sent out. The eight colored men, dressed in town clothes, were hurried into a cab and driven to Jansenville, where they were put on the train for Terre Haute. Six policemen hung on the carriages and beat back the crowd while the negroes were being driven out of town.

PEONAGE CHARGE AGAINST AN OFFICIAL

(By Associated Press.)

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., July 6.—John S. Bennett, chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Bradford county, has been arrested here on a charge of peonage. He is brought by Maggie Williams, an orphan white girl, sixteen years old. She had been working for Bennett according to a story she told of her treatment and started to walk to this city. When she had come six miles she was overtaken by Bennett and her two sons, who forced her to walk back by a road which was in places under water. She had to wade through water knee deep. She charges that when she got back Bennett beat her with a hickory stick, and shows the bruises.

The sheriff investigated the case, with the result that a warrant was issued and Bennett was arrested.

Bennett's friends here say he will disprove the charges against him.

STRUCK BY EXPRESS

John Stevens, Colored, Killed Between Norfolk and Virginia Beach.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., July 6.—John Stevens (colored) was instantly killed to-night on the Chesapeake Transit Line, by an express train bound to Norfolk from Virginia Beach, as the train neared the city lakes, the motorman noticed a dark object on the track, which he could not distinguish in the heavy rain. He applied the air brakes and only one wheel struck the side of Stevens' neck. He was dead when taken from under the car.

IMMANUEL CONGREGATION WORSHIP IN ARMORY

The congregation of Immanuel Baptist Church will worship through the summer and fall while their new house of worship is being erected in the Cavalry Armory, on Seventh Street, north of Leigh. The armory is quite well adapted to church

purposes and will be comfortably arranged. The pews and church furnishings will be moved to-day and the prayer-meeting to-morrow night will be the first service in the armory.

The services at Immanuel on Sunday, the last in the chapel while the congregation has worshipped for several years, were of special interest.

There was a mingling of sadness and joy. Rev. David A. Solly, the popular pastor, preached morning and night. The congregations were large. At night the house was crowded. The sermons were appropriate to the occasion and produced a profound impression. There was one address to the church in the morning and a liberal tree-planting offering was made to the building fund.

Rev. Mr. Solly leaves this afternoon to spend two weeks with his family, who are summering in Pennsylvania.

BEATEN AND ARRESTED

Lucy Chambers Used a Bottle and Then Got Out a Warrant.

"Gimme a warrant for de old man; he done behaved dautful," said Lucy Chambers, as she sauntered into the Third Police Station in the dark hours of last night. Making oath to her allegations, she got the warrant and America Martin, who was with her, went out and pulled the "old man."

Then the fact developed that Lucy had soaked him with a bottle as a preliminary to getting a warrant. His mouth was pretty badly lacerated, and it became necessary to summon Dr. Crump, of the ambulance corps, to fix it up.

The shoe, therefore, was on the other foot, for Lucy was locked up and the old man was allowed to go, having been punished sufficiently.

SEED STORE DAMAGED

Water and Flames Play Havoc at T. W. Wood's Place.

Fire damaged the branch store of T. W. Wood and Sons, No. 1707 Franklin Street, yesterday afternoon about 2:30 o'clock. The origin of the fire was unknown, but it was in the rear of the store, and was believed by Assistant Chief Shaw to have been caused by mice and matches. Engines No. 2 and 7, and truck No. 2 did good service, and the flames could spread they were extinguished.

The building is owned by J. Lichtenstein, and was insured for \$100,000. The loss will probably be about \$100,000. The room that was mostly damaged by fire was filled with empty barrels and boxes, and was believed to contain a quantity of stock on the lower floor.

The business of the firm will not be in the least interrupted.

ASPHALT CASE TO BE WELL AIRED

(By Associated Press.)

TREXTON, N. J., July 6.—Judge Kirkpatrick, in the United States Circuit Court, to-day made an order directing Henry Tatnall, as receiver of the Asphalt Company of America, to bring suit against General Francis V. Greene and others for the recovery of profits alleged to have been made by them in the reorganization of the asphalt industry. Among those who are to be made defendants in the suit are William L. Elkins, William J. Latta, and William C. Barker.

The order for the suit is based upon a report made to the court to-day by Receiver Tatnall. It is charged by the receiver that in distance and delivery and others by the transfer of 35,000 shares of the stock of the United Asphalt Company to the Asphalt Company of America made a profit of \$2,500,000.

MEDICAL INSPECTOR DIES OF YELLOW FEVER

(By Associated Press.)

MOBILE, ALA., July 6.—Dr. Parker, who was inspector upon the steamer Mt. Vernon was taken ill in the voyage up the Alabama river, and died yesterday. He was a native of New York, and was on duty at the government quarantine station at Ship Island, Miss., died there to-day.

Dr. Parker came from Cincinnati three weeks ago to fill this post and this was his first trip back from Costa Rica.

The Day in Crewe.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CREWE, VA., July 6.—The Fourth was quiet here. The closing of the postoffice was the only event of the day. A large crowd of young people went on a picnic to Jennings' Ordinary, and remained over for the lawn party that night, which was given by the young people of the vicinity for the benefit of Ward's Chapel.

Militia in Readiness.

(By Associated Press.)

VINCENNES, IND., July 6.—Leo Brown, the negro who killed Policeman Massey, and who is in jail here, was pronounced today to be dying to-night by physicians attending him. The prisoner is so weak owing to loss of blood from the bullet found in his left lung that he cannot stand. He can live only a few hours. Militia are held in readiness for any outbreak.

Soldiers at Shockoe Council.

Soldiers will be in evidence at the meeting of Shockoe Council, Royal Arcanum, to-night at the Masonic Temple. Many of the soldiers are members of the Order and these have been invited to be present. They will avail themselves of this pleasure.

TEACHERS GATHER BY THOUSANDS

There are More Than 15,000 Already in the Hub City; More Expected.

(By Associated Press.)

BOSTON, MASS., July 6.—When the first of the fifty sessions to be held in this city this week by the National Educational Association began, there were more than 15,000 teachers had registered for the forty-second convention of the association. The convention was held in the city of Boston, where the total number ultimately would reach 25,000.

The programme for the convention provides for sessions in sixteen departments besides general meetings every evening and business meetings on Wednesday and Thursday. The convention will close on Friday, as far as its sittings are concerned, but an extensive programme of tours and excursions will continue subsequent dates. The general gatherings will be held in Mechanics' Hall, H. B. Faneuil Hall, and the Hotel Normand and Agricultural Institute, Hampton, Va., was among the speakers to-day.

The Last With a Glass

of Hires Rootbeer, brightens the day, dispels the fumes of hot streets, and is a most refreshing and healthful beverage.

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AMERICAN SHIPS REACH SPITHEAD

Heavy Weather in the Channel Drove Them in Ahead of Schedule Time.

(By Associated Press.)

PORTSMOUTH, ENGLAND, July 6.—In the midst of the entertainment of President Latham, England has not neglected to make full preparations for the reception of Rear-Admiral Cotton's squadron here to-morrow. It has not been expected that the American warships would arrive until to-morrow morning, the heavy weather in the channel, however, unexpectedly drove the Kearsarge, San Francisco and Chicago into Spithead to-night.

As soon as the news of the arrival was communicated to the British Admiral Milne, the warships of the Channel Squadron began to twinkle a welcome with their electric lights, but beyond this there was no demonstration this evening. The gunboat Machias has not arrived, but is expected before morning.

The city is decorated with the British and American colors. The American warships assembled at Spithead will enter at 8:30 o'clock to-morrow morning Portsmouth harbor, passing through the line of the British warships which will fire salutes. This compliment will be returned by the Kearsarge and her consorts, who will be escorted to the berth to the inner harbor.

Official calls will then be exchanged between Lord Charles Beresford, Admiral Milne and Rear-Admiral Cotton. The entertainment will be robbed somewhat of the spectacular character of the occasion, as the German Emperor, who was to have been at Kiel, since King Edward, unlike the German Emperor, will be unable to be present.

Fairmount News

Mr. Thomas J. Teagle, the superintendent of Fairmount Sunday school was elected president of the Epworth League for the coming year at the business meeting held after the services Wednesday night.

Mr. Leslie Butler has returned home after an absence of two weeks away on business.

Charlie, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Perkins, continues quite ill.

Miss Adm. Holmes has returned to her home in the city after a visit to her aunt, Mrs. W. C. Thomas, on the avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. George Troler, of No. 1200 Twenty-first Street, left Friday for Buckroe Beach, to spend some time.

Mr. S. N. Collins, who was paralyzed from a stroke of apoplexy, in Philadelphia, has returned to Brookland Park.

Miss Jennie Warren McCurdy, who has been attending school in Philadelphia, has returned to Brookland Park.

Miss Mary Harris, who has been visiting as a companion, of Fairmount, has returned home.

Mr. W. R. Brown has returned to his home from Philadelphia.

Mr. R. W. Taylor has returned from Old Point.

Miss Mattie Bernard, who has been visiting relatives in Culpeper, has returned to her home.

NEW BRIDGE.

Mrs. Vaughan died at the home of her husband, June 21st. The burial was at New Bridge Church.

George W. Huggins, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Cary Higgins, who some time ago met with a serious accident and has been in the Virginia Hospital, is slowly improving, and has been removed to his home at Twenty-ninth and Marshall Streets.

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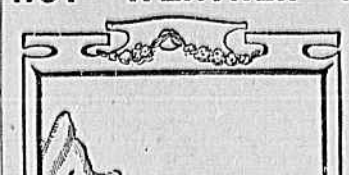
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HOT WEATHER--NERVOUS WOMEN.



Blanche Grey.

Per-na is a Catarrhal Tonic Especially Adapted to the Nervous Depression Incident to Warm Weather.

Miss Blanche Grey, a prominent young society woman of Memphis, Tenn., in a recent letter from 174 Alabama Street, writes:

"To a society woman whose nervous force is often taxed to the utmost from lack of rest and irregular meals, I know of nothing which is of so much benefit